

NSTec Exceeds \$1 Million in Educational Support

WSI-NV adds to contributions

The National Nuclear Security Administration Nevada Site Office (NNSA/NSO) contract partners have donated millions of dollars in educational and charitable support this year.

National Security Technologies (NSTec), the operational contractor for the Nevada Test Site (NTS), has invested more than \$1 million in education grants and focused science and engineering support. Wackenhut Services Inc. (WSI-NV), the security contractor for the NTS, has contributed more than \$10,000. Contributions have been made to the U.S. Department of Energy's Regional Science Bowl, local elementary school fundraisers, Southern Nevada HEP Scholarship Program, Thanksgiving food baskets and the John Bailey Memorial Golf Tournament.

"It is important that, as long-time members of the Southern Nevada community, we give back to and support all levels of students," says Steven A. Mellington, acting manager of the NNSA/NSO. "With what our contractor organizations do, they support a diverse cross-section of Clark and Nye counties."

NSTec's numerous educational awards include supporting construction of the new Science and Engineering Building at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), sponsoring the FIRST Robotics Las Vegas regional competition, the Clark County School District (CCSD) Northwest Career and Technical Academy, the UNLV Minority Engineering Program and Scholarships, the PITSCO science lab in the Nye County School District, and various summer internships.

Additionally, NSTec teams with two at-risk schools, and manages the annual DOE Regional Science Bowl. "By focusing our leadership and financial resources, we are strategically implementing innovative solutions to create and maintain a pipeline of technical and business talent," says NSTec President Steve Younger.

In the past two years, NSTec has awarded 41 scholarships in Clark and Nye Counties, Nevada; Livermore and Santa Barbara, California; Los Alamos, New Mexico; and Prince George's County, Maryland. Recipients receive \$5,000.